

young men who were called to the colors. In Wilkes-Barre, the Salvation Army will forever be remembered for its work providing food, clothing and emergency shelter to flood victims during the 1936 and 1972 floods.

Mr. Henry, for the past 44 years, has diligently served on the Salvation Army's board of directors, providing leadership and wise counsel. Today, the Salvation Army in Wilkes-Barre serves more than 44,000 individuals per year.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating the Salvation Army and Mr. and Mrs. Henry for their contributions to the greater Wilkes-Barre area. The quality of life in that region has been greatly improved by the presence of the Salvation Army and community leaders like the Henrys.

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HONORING THE MEMORY OF MR.  
CHARLES T. BROWDER, SR.

**HON. JO BONNER**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 8, 2005*

Mr. BONNER. Mr. Speaker, Clarke County and indeed the entire State of Alabama recently lost a dear friend, and I rise today to honor him and pay tribute to his memory.

Mr. Charles T. Browder, Sr., was a devoted family man and dedicated community leader throughout his life. A native of Monroe County, Alabama, Mr. Browder, for many years worked with his brother in Montgomery. In 1987, he and his family moved to the City of Thomasville, where he founded Browder and Son Veneer, a company which became an anchor of the area's business community and has grown to employ more than 80 men and women.

A popular figure in his community, Mr. Browder developed a strong reputation for his generosity and philanthropy, and was always available to help his friends and neighbors in any way possible. He was active in the congregation of Thomasville United Methodist Church, and was a member of both the Abba Shrine Temple and Oliver Lodge No. 334 F & AM.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my Colleagues to join me in remembering a dedicated community leader and friend to many throughout South Alabama. Mr. Browder will be deeply missed by his family—his wife Annyce L. Browder; his children, Charles T. "Tom" Browder and Allen L. Browder; his sister, Gloria B. Lovinggood; his six grandchildren; and his seven great-grandchildren—as well as the countless friends he leaves behind. Our thoughts and prayers are with them all at this difficult time.

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HONORING LARRY ERNST ON  
BEING NAMED AN IBM FELLOW

**HON. MARK UDALL**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 8, 2005*

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Larry Ernst, of Boulder, Colorado, for his recent nomination as an IBM Fellow, the company's highest and most prestigious technical honor.

IBM Fellows are selected for sustained and distinguished technical achievements in engi-

neering, programming and technology. There have only been 185 Fellows in the past 42 years of the company's existence, and currently there are only 58 active employees who share this distinction out of an astounding 325,000 employees worldwide.

IBM Fellows provide innovative solutions not only valuable for the future of this massive company, but also for the entire world. Fellows such as Mr. Ernst have developed some of the most useful products and applied technologies the industry and computer users have ever seen.

Larry Ernst has led the strategic definition and implementation of critical technologies for the Printing Systems Division, and his work in the area of print and image quality has been the foundation for many new products. Already, Mr. Ernst holds nine issued patents, serves as the patent coordinator for the division, and has been named an IBM Master Inventor for his works.

Larry Ernst joins two other distinguished Boulder residents, Ernest Booch and Joan Mitchell, as IBM Fellows. I am proud to have three out of the 58 active IBM Fellows in Colorado's Second Congressional District. It is quite a compliment to the men and women of Colorado.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Larry Ernst and in wishing him continued success in all future endeavors as an IBM Fellow.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO SHANNON  
J. WILSON, RECIPIENT OF THE  
PRESIDENTIAL FREEDOM SCHOLARSHIP

**HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 8, 2005*

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the superior academic performance of Shannon J. Wilson, a recipient of this year's Presidential Freedom Scholarship. Thirteen students in the 26th Congressional District are receiving this special recognition.

This award recognizes outstanding service and citizenship initiatives by the students who were nominated, and provides an opportunity to acknowledge their leadership. Administered by Learn and Serve America, the scholarship provides \$500 in Federal funds, matched with \$500 from a community organization or business obtained for the student by their high school or Boys and Girls Club. Winners must have completed at least 100 hours of community service, either through a school-based service-learning program or independently through service at a nonprofit or faith-based organization.

Shannon is a member of the Technology Center Boys and Girls Club. This organization contributed matching funds of \$500.

Over 38,000 students to date have received this award and I extend my sincere congratulations to Shannon J. Wilson for being one of them. This student's contribution and services should serve as inspiration to those who wish to make a positive difference in the lives of others.

A PROCLAMATION IN MEMORY OF  
NATHANIEL ROCK

**HON. ROBERT W. NEY**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 8, 2005*

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, I hereby offer my heartfelt condolences to the family, friends, and community of Nathaniel Rock upon the death of this outstanding Marine.

Nathaniel Rock was a member of the United States Marine Corps serving his great nation in the country of Iraq. He was a loving son to his parents, and a caring brother to Jared Rock with whom he served with as a Martins Ferry police officer. Nathaniel Rock was an active citizen in his community and did his best to make his country a better place to live.

Nathaniel Rock will be remembered for his unsurpassed sacrifice of self while protecting others. His example of strength and fortitude will be remembered by all those who knew him.

While words cannot express our grief during the loss of such a courageous Marine, I offer this token of profound sympathy to the family, friends, and colleagues of Nathaniel Rock. Your service has made us proud.

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REMEMBERING JOHN H. JOHNSON

**HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 8, 2005*

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor the life and legacy of the publishing mogul Mr. John H. Johnson, who died on August 8, 2005 at the age of 87. Mr. Johnson rose from extreme poverty to become founder and chairman of Johnson's Publishing Company, the world's largest African-American owned publishing Company. Mr. Johnson is one of America's most distinguished entrepreneurs, whose publications have helped to change the landscape of American history.

Mr. Johnson was born on January 19, 1918, in Arkansas City during southern segregation, which played an integral role in shaping his successful future. Another element that helped shape his path was his mother. When Mr. Johnson was 8 years of age, his mother moved the family up to Chicago with the belief that the Jim Crow south was no place to nurture and raise a Black child from whom she expected greatness. Like so many other blacks from the South, his mother believed that the North provided better economic and social opportunities for African Americans. Therefore, Johnson's family took part in The Great Migration of the early 1900's and moved north.

During his high school years, Mr. Johnson worked part time for the Supreme Liberty Life Insurance Company (he would later become chairman of the board). Part of his duties was to prepare a digest for the company president of Black or Black-oriented stories in the American press. This gave inspiration to the establishment of his first magazine the "Negro Digest". After being refused business loans from banks and other financial institutions, Mr. Johnson used his mother's furniture as collateral for a \$500 loan. In 1942, Negro Digest